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MAJOR SURFACE GLYCOPROTEIN (MSG)
GENE OF HUMAN PNEUMOCYSTIS CARINII

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In the specification, please add the following paragraph at the top of page 1, immediately after the title:

-- REFERENCE TO RELATED CASES

This application claims priority to co-pending International Application Number PCT/US99/18750, filed August 17, 1999, which claims the benefit of US Provisional Application Number 60/096,805, filed August 17, 1998. --

REMARKS

By this preliminary amendment, the specification is made only to claim priority to related cases. No new matter has been added by this amendment.

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